



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

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**FINAL AGENDA**

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DATE: **June 13, 2001**  
TIME: **1:00 PM – 9:00 PM**  
LOCATION: Eagle's Aerie #1  
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**\*\* PLEASE NOTE:** Times below are estimates only. The Board reserves the right to alter the order of the agenda. For information regarding testimony, handouts, or other questions, please call the Board office at (360) 236-4110.

**9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Tour of South Park and Georgetown**

- 1:00 p.m.**
- 1. Call to Order\*\***
  - 2. Approval of Agenda—Action**
  - 3. May Minutes—Adoption**
- 1:10 p.m.**
- 4. Department of Health Update**
    - *Maxine Hayes Health Officer, Department of Health Secretary*
- 1:25 p.m.**
- 5. Update on Priority Setting for 2001-03**
    - *Craig McLaughlin, State Board of Health Staff*
- 1:45 p.m.**
- 6. SBOH Staff Announcements and Other Board Business**
    - *Don Sloma, State Board of Health Executive Director*

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**1:55 p.m. 7. Proposed Delegation of WAC 246-290, Group “A” Public Water Systems**

- *Carl Osaki, State Board of Health Member*

**- Board Discussion and Possible Action**

**BOARD PRIORITY ISSUE: ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**

**2:05 p.m. 8. Welcome**

- *Margaret Pageler, President of the Seattle City Council, Member of the Board of Public Health Seattle and King, and State Board of Health Member*
- *Tom Byers, Deputy Mayor, City of Seattle*
- *Ngozi Oleru, Chief, Environmental Health, Public Health Seattle-King County*

**2:20 p.m. 9. Overview of Subcommittee’s Efforts**

- *Carl Osaki, State Board of Health Member*
- *Joe Finkbonner, State Board of Health Member*

**2:30 p.m. 10. Environmental Justices Concerns in Washington**

*Introduction by Joe Finkbonner, State Board of Health Member*

- *Resident*
- *Resident*
- *Terry Williams, Environmental Director, Tullalip Tribe*
- *Dan Ford, Columbia Legal Services*

**3:00 p.m. 11. Framework for Understanding Environmental Justice**

- *Carl Osaki, RS, MSPH, State Board of Health Member*

**3:10 p.m. 12. Health Risks Associated with Environmental and Occupational Exposures**

- *Jim Krieger, MD, MPH, Epidemiology, Public Health, Seattle and King County*
- *Karen Larson, PhD., U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry*
- *Rob Duff, DOH Office of Environmental Health Assessments*

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**BOARD PRIORITY ISSUE: ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (CONT.)**

- 3:40 p.m. 13. Proximity to Environmental Hazards: Implications for Public Health**
- *Michael Letourneau, EPA, Region X, Office of Civil Rights and Environmental Justice*
  - *John Ridgway, Washington Department of Ecology*
- 4:00 p.m. 14. Community Efforts to Address Issues of Environmental Justice**  
*Introduction by Joe Finkbonner, State Board of Health Member*
- *Yalonde Sinde, Community Coalition for Environmental Justice*
  - *Alex Coleman, Project Manager of Salishan Environmental Justice Study, Salishan Community*
  - *Simon Truong, Refugee Federation Service Center*
  - *Amy Duggan, American Lung Association*
- 5:00 p.m. 15. Industries' Pollution Solutions**
- *Charlie Cunniff, Environmental Coalition of South Seattle*
- 5:15 p.m. 16. Justice at the Crossroads: Government and Communities Working Together**
- *Ngozi Oleru, Chief, Environmental Health, Public Health Seattle-King County*
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner Break**
- 7:00 p.m. 17. Environmental Justice Subcommittee Recommendations**
- *Carl Osaki, State Board of Health Member*
  - *Joe Finkbonner, State Board of Health Member*
  - *Janice Englehart, State Board of Health Staff*
- 7:15 p.m. 18. Public Testimony on Environmental Justice and Other Health Issues**
- 8:30 p.m. 19. Board Discussion and Possible Action**
- 9:00 p.m. Adjourn**

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**FYI**

As of: June 6, 2001

**Addressed to Board**

*For more information, see the Board website at <http://www.doh.wa.gov/sboh> or contact Heather Boe at (360) 236-4104.*

**Letter to the Board of Health Regarding Tacoma Pierce County Health Department's Child Death Review (CDR) team**

*Source: TPCHD Child Death Review Team, April 6, 2001*

*A letter regarding TPCHD Child Death Review Team's review of information and recommendations related to newborn screening.*

**Letter to the Board of Health Regarding "Healthier Washington: Eliminating Disparities and Organizational Change" grant program**

*Source: Washington Health Foundation, May 10, 2001*

*A letter requesting promising candidates be encouraged to apply for the Healthier Washington grants.*

**Conferences**

**Today's Partnerships Building Tomorrow's Outcomes**

*Sponsored by: The Washington Community Mental Health Council is the sponsor of the 2001 Washington Behavioral Healthcare Conference in partnership with the Department of Social and Health Services' Mental Health Division, Division of Developmental Disabilities, Aging and Adult Services Administration, and the Regional Support Networks.*

*June 6-8, 2001, Yakima, WA*

*In its twelfth year, the conference program provides training sessions of vital importance to managers and clinicians, addresses issues of special interest for children, adults, older adults and diverse cultures, and weaves perspectives from consumers, family members, care providers and other community members into practical hands-on training approaches.*

*For more information, contact Linda Ruffer at (206) 464-7965 or email at [wcmhc@wcmhcnet.org](mailto:wcmhc@wcmhcnet.org) (please put WBHC in the subject line)*

**Maternal and Child Health Forum**

*Sponsored by: US Coalition For Child Survival*

*June 19, 2001, Seattle Center – Northwest Rooms, 305 Harrison Street, Seattle, WA*

*For more information, call (202) 833-5900 or visit their website at [childsurvival@globalhealth.org](mailto:childsurvival@globalhealth.org)*

**Combined Summer Institute with a Focus on Educating: Autism, Blind/Visually Impaired, Deaf/hard of Hearing, Significant Disabilities**

*Sponsored by: Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction*

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July 9-13, 2001, Yakima, WA

This year's Combined summer Institute has been designed to allow you to participate in several ways, either focusing on a specific content area or selecting from an assortment of electives.

*For more information, contact Gail Omdal at (360) 416-3414 or email at [gomdal@esd189.org](mailto:gomdal@esd189.org)*

**National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**

*Sponsored by: NALBOH in cooperation with The Ohio Association of Boards of Health*

July 25-28, 2001, Cleveland, Ohio

Boards of Health: Building Healthy Communities Through Partnerships and Policies.

*For more information, call NALBOH at (419) 353-7714 or email at [nalboh@nalboh.org](mailto:nalboh@nalboh.org)*

**Correspondence from the Board**

*For more information, contact Heather Boe, Washington State Board of Health, at (360) 236-4104 or by email at [heather.boe@doh.wa.gov](mailto:heather.boe@doh.wa.gov).*

**Letter to Ms. Susan Pfeifer, Co-Chair, TPCHD Child Death Review Team, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department**

*Source: Washington State Board of Health, May 23, 2001*

RCW 43.20 and RCW 70.83 authorize the Board of Health to develop rules on newborn screening—rules are contained in Chapter 246-650 WAC—WAC review process

**General Interest**

**Letter to Ms. Rose Feliciano, Special Assistant for Boards and Commissions, Office of the Governor**

*Source: Washington State Department of Health, May 16, 2001*

Length of Board terms

*For more information, contact Heather Boe at (360) 236-4104.*

**Publications**

**Disease Management Advisor**

*Source: National Health Information, LLC, May 2001*

In this Issue:

Bridging the gaps in chronic illness care for children; Put quality care for chronically ill children on the front burner; Predictive modeling program identifies high-risk patients before complications lead to skyrocketing costs; Template for chronic care is put to valuable use in a small, hospital-based asthma program

*For more information, contact National Health Information at (800) 597-6900, by email at [nhi@nhionline.net](mailto:nhi@nhionline.net), or on their website at [www.nhionline.net](http://www.nhionline.net).*

**Issue Brief**

*Source: Center for Studying Health System Change, No. 36 April 2001*

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In this Issue:

*Tax Credits and Purchasing Pools: Will This Marriage Work? By Sally Trude and Paul B. Ginsburg*

*For more information, contact HSC at (202) 554-7549 or on their website at [www.hschange.org](http://www.hschange.org)*

**Issue Brief**

*Source: Center for Studying Health System Change, No. 37 April 2001*

In this Issue:

*Defined Contributions: The Search For A New Vision*

*For more information, contact HSC at (202) 554-7549 or on their website at [www.hschange.org](http://www.hschange.org)*

**Issue Brief**

*Source: Center for Studying Health System Change, No. 38 May 2001*

In this Issue:

*Emergency Room Diversions: A Symptom of Hospitals Under Stress By Linda R. Brewster, Liza S. Rudell and Cara S. Lesser*

*For more information, contact HSC at (202) 554-7549 or on their website at [www.hschange.org](http://www.hschange.org)*

**News and Strategies for Managed Medicare & Medicaid**

*Source: Atlantic Information Services, Inc., Washington D.C*

*Sample Articles*

In this Issue:

*CHF QI Program May Yield Double Rewards for Medicare+Choice Plans; Many M+C Plans Return to Profitability Despite Media Focus on Plan Withdrawals; Congress' M+C Program Reform Looks More Promising This Time; M+C Plans Tap Experience To Prove Their Viability, Endurance; Maryland Grows Medicaid HMO Through Trimmer Operations, Better MD Relations; HCFA Region 2 Medicare HMO Profile; Expanding Cultural Competency Will Reap Rewards in the Future; Medicaid Plan Uses Incentives to Boost DM Program Participation; Educate Members and Reviewing Bodies to Reduce Overturned Appeals Decisions; Settlement Changes Member Notification Right; Humana Expects M+C Profits By 'Managing for Profitability'; Medicaid Plan Uses Financial Incentives to Improve Service Quality, Operations; To Reach Profitability, M+C Plans Must Streamline Their Businesses; Medicaid Eligibility Expansion Means More Potential Eligibles; Seniors See More M+C Benefits, Lower Premiums After BIPA; M+C Plans With the Highest Enrollment Growth; M+C Plans With the Highest Net Disenrollment; M+C Plan Using Ph Dx e-Systems To Access Members at Enrollment; North Carolina Demo Shows Value Of Case and Disease Management*

*For more information, contact Atlantic Information Services, Inc. at (800) 521-4323, by email at [customerserv@aispub.com](mailto:customerserv@aispub.com), or on their website at [www.AISHealth.com](http://www.AISHealth.com)*

**OCV Advocate**

*Source: Washington State Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development, Office of Crime Victims Advocacy, Quarterly Newsletter, Spring 2001 Vol. 8 No. 4*

In this Issue:

*Sex Offenders In Our Midst: A Review of Community Notification; Civil Commitment; Contract & Application Information; Show Me The Money; Offender Accountability Act; Victims' Rights*

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*Week; The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; WCSAP 2001 Annual Conference; Upcoming Events*

***For more information, contact OCVA at (800) 822-1067 or (360) 725-2900, by email at [ocva@cted.wa.gov](mailto:ocva@cted.wa.gov), or on their website at [www.ocva.wa.gov](http://www.ocva.wa.gov)***

**Sharing the Excitement of Science**

*Source: Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, May 2001*

In this Issue:

*Sensor fish traveling to schools in Washington...Diagnostic software powers the bottom line...New research area information online...Scientist receives Health Physics Society award...Promising technology reduces harmful vehicle emissions...Labs join to pursue new semiconductor materials*

***For more information, contact Pacific Northwest National Laboratory at (888) 375-PNNL or on their website at [www.pnl.gov](http://www.pnl.gov)***

**State Health Notes**

*Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, May 7, 2001*

In this Issue:

Cover Story – In the Internet age, confidential medical files can be transmitted in a wink. New federal rules seek to protect patient privacy, but states are debating reforms that go even further, closing loopholes and imposing financial sanctions.

Behavioral Health Notes – Substance abuse takes a high toll, in human and financial terms. Three recent resources shed light on various aspects of the problem.

Highlights – “Code Blue” for IL Medicaid...Medicaid drug rebates...IA after welfare reform...Doctor discipline survey...Infants & Rx drug errors...Patient safety task force...DC mental health initiative...Rx drug abuse study...STDs in ME, OH...Gun deaths...CA nursing home review...Help for caregivers.

Tracking Trends – As the tobacco settlement money comes rolling in, states are looking at a variety of financial strategies.

Ideas & Innovations – San Francisco General Hospital is on the cutting edge of a response to domestic violence: training its staff to recognize and intervene.

***For more information, contact NCSL at (303) 830-2200.***

**State Health Notes**

*Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, May 21, 2001*

In this Issue:

Cover Story – Pain is often ignored, in part because medical professionals are not trained to treat it, in part because patients fear becoming addicted to narcotic drugs. As the end-of-life movement gains momentum, however, management of pain is getting greater attention.

StateSpeak – Patient safety issues, overflowing ERs and a nursing shortage have made it an especially busy year for Massachusetts Sen. Richard Moore.

Highlights – MI information system...HCFA, close up...Residents’ hours...ER closure study...Nonfatal injuries...Exercise for the elderly...Suicide prevention...UNC study on kids and snack foods...CDC birth defects center...Women’s heart center...Rx drug cost study...CT suit vs. online pharmacy “outlaws.”



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Tracking Trends – The assisted living industry is growing by leaps and bounds, and state regulations are keeping pace.

Medicaid Monitor – Wisconsin's Family Care program has gotten good reviews. In the District of Columbia, officials are looking at a modified version of the program for the elderly, disabled.

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**State Health Notes**

*Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, June 4, 2001*

In this Issue:

Cover Story – Congress hasn't yet acted on a Medicare drug benefit, leaving states as the target of constituents' ire over rising prices. In response, states are looking to expand coverage and ease cost pressures. Notes looks at two ambitious programs.

Focus On – Though not a new problem, the plight of abandoned newborns is prompting a rush of "safe haven" laws. What's motivating states?

Highlights – Uninsured moms...Web data tool...MA pharmacy benefit contract...OxyContin abuse...NJ Rx drug assistance program...Cholesterol guidelines...Stroke awareness...NJ AED project...SD seat belt campaign...CSU alcohol policy...Caregiver center...FL nursing home reforms

Tracking Trends – The nurse shortage is bad and getting worse. States are seeking ways to recruit and retain nurses.

Ideas & Innovations – A group of 73 Philadelphia-area hospitals is banding together on a 16-step initiative to reduce the incidence of medication errors.

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**1998 Fatal Traffic Collisions in Washington State**

*Source: Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC), March 2001*

Report prepared by Dick Doane

In this Report:

*Overview...Fatal Crashes...Persons in Fatal Crashes...Safety Equipment Use in Fatal Crashes...Drivers in Fatal Crashes...Vehicles in Fatal Crashes*

***For more information, contact WTSC at (360) 753-6197 or visit their website at***

***[www.wa.gov/wtsc/](http://www.wa.gov/wtsc/) (homepage)***

**Washington State/Seattle-King County HIV/AIDS Epidemiology Report**

*Source: Public Health-Seattle & King County and Washington State Department of Health, 2<sup>nd</sup> Half 2000*

In this Report:

*Summary Tables...HIV/AIDS Epidemiology and Surveillance News*

This is the fifty-seventh edition of a report on the epidemiology of HIV and AIDS. Produced as a joint project by Public Health-Seattle & King County and the Washington State Infectious Disease and Reproductive Health Assessment Unit, it is funded in part by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention cooperative agreement for HIV/AIDS surveillance.

***For more information, contact PH-SKC HIV/AIDS Epidemiology Program at (206) 296-4645 or visit their website at [www.metrokc.gov/health/apu/epi](http://www.metrokc.gov/health/apu/epi)***



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**WSPHA**

*Source: Washington State Public Health Association, Spring 2001*

*In this Issue:*

*Public Health Month 2001...President's Corner...8<sup>th</sup> Annual Joint Conference on Health...Summary of WSPHA January and March Board Meetings...Public Health Launches New Immunization Web Site...Summer Institute for Public Health Practice 2001...APHA Committee on Affiliates Holds Mid-year Meeting...Public Health Journal Gets a New Name and New Focus...Yakima County Immunization Survey Executive Summary...Public Health Loses a Pioneer...Send Resolutions!...Public Health Field Placements & Thesis Project...Please Respond to this Survey...UW, School of Public Health and Community...Medicine Announce Certificate Program...Nominations Wanted for WSPHA Board...Exhibitor/Sponsor Information for the Joint Conference...Exhibitor/Sponsor Registration Form...Preliminary Program-2001 Joint Conference on Health...Registration for Joint Conference on Health...WSPHA Call for Award Nominations...WSPHA Award Nomination Form*

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